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Marking a milestone in its own and local business history, the George H. Sheldon Co., of Birnam road, became the first dealer in the New England states to receive an entire carload of International Harvester refrigerator and freezer units.

Historical Society Museum To Open

For the first time this season the Northfield Historical Society will open its Museum on Pine street to the public, admission free, on Sunday, July 10th from 3:00 to 5:00. Here for some seven or eight years' gifts and loans have been acquired which reveal the local history in its many periods and phases; it be colonial, revolutionary or civil war, or 19th century; or be religious, domestic agricultural, or cultural. To appreciate how much of hard labor we today do not do, a consideration of the spinning wheel and loom, of the butter churn, the lard squeezer, the cheese mold, the yeast jug and bread trough, the candle mold, the fly switch, the hand sewing, or a consideration of the flail for threshing grain, the ox shoes, the water log and pump, hand-wrought nails, shingle chisel, cobbling tools, hand-made cradle bed, sleigh and wagon with metal worked by the blacksmith; all these and more bring to mind our luxury and freedom from long hours of toil, liberating us for more enjoyment in life. Still are we loosing the joy that comes from achievement of tasks undertaken? This is one of four chances to see the Museum this summer.

CALENDAR OF OUTDOOR EVENTS

July 8, 9, 10,
"The Old Homestead", Putnam
Bowl, Swanzey, N. H.

July 10,
Historical Society Museum open,
3 to 5 p.m.

July 12,
Grange meeting at Grange Hall.

July 13,
Daily Vacation Church School at
Congregational Church, Through
July 22.

July 20,
WFW meeting, Post Home, West
Northfield, 8 p.m.
WCTU Costume Lawn party at
Colton House, 3 p.m.

July 22,
Lawn "concert" Benefit of Stu-
dents' Aid Society. Green Pas-
tures, 8 to 10 p.m.

July 25,
Roller Skating party at Bo. Deer-
field rink.

August 5,
Annual Bazaar, Daily lawn, 3 p.
m. For Congregational Church
building fund.

August 13,
American Legion Auxiliary food
sale, McEwan Lawn, 2 p.m.

August 23 and 24,
Garden Club Flower Show at the
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NORTHFIELD, MASS., FRIDAY, JULY 8, 1949

Northfield Garden Club Flower Show at Chateau August 23 and 24, 1949

Competition in these Sections is open to any citizen of the town.

Please keep this schedule for reference as it will not appear in the Press again.

SCHEDULE

Section A Arrangements.

- Class 1 Arrangement of flowers in identical containers.
- Class 2 Arrangement of flowers in tones of yellow.
- Class 3 Arrangement of flowers against a mirror background.
- Class 4 Arrangement of flowers floating in a shallow container.
- Class 5 Arrangement of white flowers in white containers.
- Class 6 Arrangement of flowers in a pair of vases.
- Class 7 Arrangement of flowers or trailing vines for mantle.
- Class 8 Arrangement of flowers in metal container.
- Class 9 Any arrangement of roses.
- Class 10 Arrangement of flowers in a miniature bouquet. Container not over 3 in. in height, and entire arrangement not over 5 in.
- Class 11 Arrangement of flowers in decorative containers not made for flowers.
- Class 12 Arrangement of flowers suitable for luncheon tables.
- Class 13 Arrangement of blue or purple flowers with accessories.
- Class 14 Arrangement of flowers, fruit or vegetables suitable for kitchen.

Section B Blooms.

- Class 15 3 blooms or stalks of any one variety.
- Class 16 A rose in bottle.
- Class 17 A dahlia in bottle.
- Class 18 A zinnia in bottle.
- Class 19 A gladiolus in bottle.

Section C Potted Plants.

- Class 20 Flowering plants.
- Class 21 Foliage plants.
- Class 22 Ferns.
- Class 23 Rare or unusual plants.
- Class 24 Begonias.
- a. Fibrous
- b. Tuberous.

Section D Flowers as I like them.

Section E Branches or sprays bearing fruit or seed pods.

Section F Natural bit of woodland in a vase.

Section G Best display of vegetables.

Section H Bouquets of wild flowers.

Section I Pictures Exhibits.

Section K Semi-professional Exhibits.

Section L 4-H Club and Scouts Exhibits.

Section M Men's Class. Any arrangement of flowers.

Section N Special Exhibits.

All exhibits must be ready for inspection of the judges by 11:00 Tuesday morning, August 23.

Only one entry may be made in each class.

George Carr Retires Sanderson Succeeds

George W. Carr, who for 41 years has been associated with the Northfield School for Girls, and more recently was the Superintendent of Grounds at that school, retired on July 1.

He was succeeded by Winthrop W. Sanderson, who until this time has been associated with Carr in the supervision of the grounds.

Sanderson has been with the Northfield School for Girls for nearly three years.

Congregational church Annual Bazaar

Coming August 5, rain or shine, the annual Bazaar sponsored by the Congregational Church Guild for the Benefit of the New Church Building Fund. It will be held at three o'clock on Daly's lawn on Highland Avenue, East Northfield, if the weather is pleasant, otherwise in the church vestry.

There will be something of interest for everyone. There will be jeep rides for children of all ages, and for the very young there will be a doll carriage and tricycle parade with prizes. It isn't too soon to get your ideas ready for decorating those vehicles. Watch the PRESS for further details.

Local Artists Show In Deerfield Exhibit

The local people exhibiting their recent work at the Deerfield Valley Arts Association annual exhibit at the Old Barn, Deerfield Academy, are Mrs. Mildred Nims and Mrs. Gertrude Whitney. Two outstanding oils by the late Gustav Wolf of East Northfield, are also being shown, consisting of a mellow October interior and a beautifully executed study of dahlias. The exhibition will continue until July 17.

Both of the late Prof. Wolf's paintings are receiving high praise from the critics. There are several outstanding works of other professional guest artists well worth seeing and enjoying, notably a superb painting of a ship in Gloucester Harbor, "Yankee," by Emile A. Gruppe, and the very remarkable portrait entitled, "Philada," by Augustus Vincent Tack, who is at present engaged in painting a picture of President Truman.

Daily Vacation Bible School

One of the best Daily Vacation Bible Schools to be held anywhere in America each summer is conducted in the Trinitarian Congregational Church of Northfield while the Religious Education Conference is in session on the campus of the Northfield School for Girls. The dates this year: Wednesday, July 13 to Friday, July 22, 9:00 to 11:30 a. m.

The School is directed by Miss Edith Welker, Associate Secretary of Religious Education in the Connecticut Council of Churches. Miss Welker is assisted by professionally trained workers in religious education who have been eminently successful in dealing with particular age groups of children. The general theme this year will be Ideas of God and Worship.

There is to be a family picnic supper and program on the evening before the School closes. The School is for children three to fourteen years of age. Children of year-round residents of Northfield are welcome.

Parents, have your children registered on the first day, if possible.

Isabel, Monroe Smith Lead World Flight

Monroe and Isabel Smith, founders of Youth Argosy, Inc., with national headquarters in this town, will lead a band of 50 Argonauts in a two-month round the world air argosy.

The flight leaves from Bradley Field, Conn., this week end and includes an itinerary of almost all of the fabulous cities of the world. The first stop after Bradley Field will be Denver, then to San Francisco, Honolulu, Midway, Tokyo, Hong Kong, Bangkok, Calcutta, Bombay, Teheran, Baghdad, Jerusalem, Cairo, Athens, Geneva, London, Paris and finally either by boat to Quebec or by plane to Bradley Field. The return plane will arrive in the United States near the end of August while the boat will arrive in Quebec on Sept. 17.

The itinerary, according to Monroe and Isabel Smith, is an elastic one and may be changed as the trip progresses.

One of the co-pilots on the round the world jaunt will be Ruth Nichols, famed aviatrix, who will be the first woman pilot to have circled the globe.

The PRESS will carry stories of the world spanning Argonauts in future issues.

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REVEALS PLANS FOR FORMER AYH BUILDING

Following immediately the announcement of the purchase of the AYH property by Youth Argosy, Inc. Monroe Smith, Director, revealed this week the formation of a committee for the development of the property.

The committee,

consisting of

Jessie and Mott Guhae, Mr. and Mrs. Constance George, Aina and Unto Haunonen, Bill Kiniry, Mr. and Mrs. C. Rupert Luey, Mrs.

Benefit Concert at Green Pastures

A lawn concert will be held on July 22 at Green Pastures in East Northfield for the benefit of the Students' Aid Society of the Northfield School for Girls.

The Students' Aid Society, founded in 1886 by Mrs. D. L. Moody, Mrs. Julius Estey and Mrs. Frederick Billings, has through the years, rallied to the assistance of worthy girls who are attempting to fit themselves for constructive world work. This year 78 loans, totaling \$6,797, were made. An even larger amount will be needed in September.

In June of this year, Miss Miriam Wilson, head of the Northfield School for Girls, brought out the critical situation facing the Students' Aid Society when she said, "The usual Scholarship funds have shrunk so far below the normal level that many fine girls must be denied financial aid unless we can find a way to meet the emergency." The outcome was the planning of the July 22nd concert at Green Pastures.

1802 girls have made use of the Society, and no interest is charged for the loans, and it is asked that the girls return the money when they begin to earn. Through this system many girls are able to use the same funds.

The program for this year's benefit is as follows:

July 22 at Green Pastures: 8 to 9 p. m. Art and Curio exhibit, food sale, Dollar sale of books and records, 10 p. m. Music by the Salvation Army Band.

Music by the Salvation Army Band, Last half solo and choruses by the Conference Choir, (Students of Mt. Hermon and Northfield School for Girls.)

WCTU To Sponsor Costume Lawn Party

The WCTU will sponsor a Fancy Dress Willard lawn party at the House of Colton, Main street, East Northfield, Wednesday, July 20, at 3 p. m.

Refreshments will be served and an offering will be received for the work of the WCTU.

The hostesses for the occasion will be dressed in appropriate period costumes of 75 years ago. Various leading figures in Temperance work will be represented including Frances Willard and her mother.

This is an opportunity for getting acquainted with your neighbors.

No Summer 'Breeze'

Harold Briesmaster has announced he is offering the readers of the Press a summer's vacation from reading his column "Breeze". He will return to the fray in the fall.

Card of Thanks

An expression of appreciation to those who remembered Mrs. Fred S. Merrifield during her long illness and who, at the time of her death, sent kind messages to the family, and flowers in remembrance of her.

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From the Editorial Column of
the Vermont Phoenix, Brattleboro,
Vt., July 1, 1949:

Barre, Vermont, has been experiencing some difficulties with its new public swimming pool, cost of which already has reached more than \$110,000 and is likely to be more before structural faults are corrected. But in the long run there is no doubt that the advantages provided by this facility will outweigh the initial investment. It's a backward community that does not provide something in the way of supervised aquatic recreation these days.



TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Rev. Joseph W. Reeves, Minister.

Sunday, July 10.
11:00 a. m. Worshipping with the
Missionary Conference at the Auditorium on the campus of the
Northfield School for Girls. The
Rev. Gerald Watkins, Pastor of the
Lake Avenue Baptist Church, Rochester, N. Y., will preach.

The Daily Vacation Bible School
starts on Wednesday, July 13 at
9:00 a. m.

Monday, July 25.
Roller Skating party at the South
Deerfield rink, sponsored by the
Young People.

Friday, August 5.
Annual Bazaar on the Daily lawn
for the benefit of the New Church
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a. m.

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Sunday, July 10,
10:30 a. m. Service and sermon.
"A Conscience Void of Offense."
11:30 a. m. Sunday School.
7:00 p. m. Prayer and Praise.
Wednesday, July 13,
Mid-week prayer meeting at the
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Town Topics

The Rev. Parker Bradburn Holloway, son of the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Parker B. Holloway of Madison, N. J., and Rustic Ridge, East Northfield, was married on June 29, in Lynn, Mass., to Miss Norma Elizabeth Kenerson.

Mrs. Holloway is a graduate of Green Mountain Junior College and West Virginia Wesleyan College. Mr. Holloway, West Virginia Wesleyan College, '48, belongs to Kappa Alpha, Pi Epsilon Theta and Alpha Psi Omega. He has been assistant pastor of the First Methodist Church, Englewood, N. J., and has recently been appointed pastor of the Calvary Methodist Church, Union City, N. J.

Rev. Joseph W. Reeves is at the Pinewood Camp, near Plymouth, Massachusetts, where he is teaching at a Pilgrim Fellowship Conference of Young People. One hundred and fifty Congregational Young People are attending the conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert F. Seeley,

formerly of Weehawken, N. J., are occupying the home at 36 Main Street owned by Dr. Lewis Hodous. Mrs. Seeley is an alumna of the Northfield School for Girls. Both Mr. and Mrs. Seeley will join the staff of the Northfield School for Girls in September.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed left this week for Elyria, Ohio, where they will be joined by his brother Albert and his wife for a trip to McGregor Bay, Ontario, Canada for a visit with another brother Charles Goodspeed.

The latter recently purchased an island on McGregor Bay. This is the first reunion for the brothers in many years.

Mr. and Mrs. William Marshall, of Gwynedd, Pa., were visiting his brother, George Marshall and family, recently, and they will continue their vacation trip to Gloucester.

Bill Marshall is purchasing agent for the Rolle Mfg. Co. of Lansdale, Pa.

Rev. E. E. Jones has returned home after several weeks confinement to Brattleboro Memorial Hospital. His condition is greatly improved.

For those who were up at 6:15 a. m. Tuesday of this week Mother Nature put on quite an auroral display featuring an all pink rainbow in the western sky, over Northfield.

Miss Erma V. Reynolds, of the French department at the Northfield School for Girls, recently sailed for France. She will spend some time in the village of Camiers — the town adopted by the PRESS and residents of Northfield.

Sgt. and Mrs. Herbert C. White were home from Roswell Field, N. M., for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Payson, and son Jimmy who is

staying with the Paysons.

The continued drought in this area is taking its toll of local backyard gardens, with no expected relief in sight.

Mrs. Ansel B. True has returned from the hospital.

Mrs. W. R. Moody was hostess at a small party for Mrs. George McMillan this week and Mrs. A. G. Moody read an original poem for the gathering.

Miss Harriet Hastings, of Orange, is staying with Mrs. C. H. Webster of this town.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dale of School street, entertained Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Broughton of Westfield for the holiday week end.

Former Resident Dies in Florida

Lake Worth, Fla. He was the son of the late Eliza and Henry Wright and his wife Myra (Alexander) Wright died several years ago.

William A. Wright, 82, a native of Northfield died this week in

The Kidder Funeral Home is

handling arrangements and burial will be in the family lot in this town. No date has been announced.

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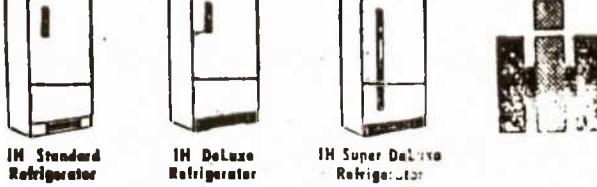
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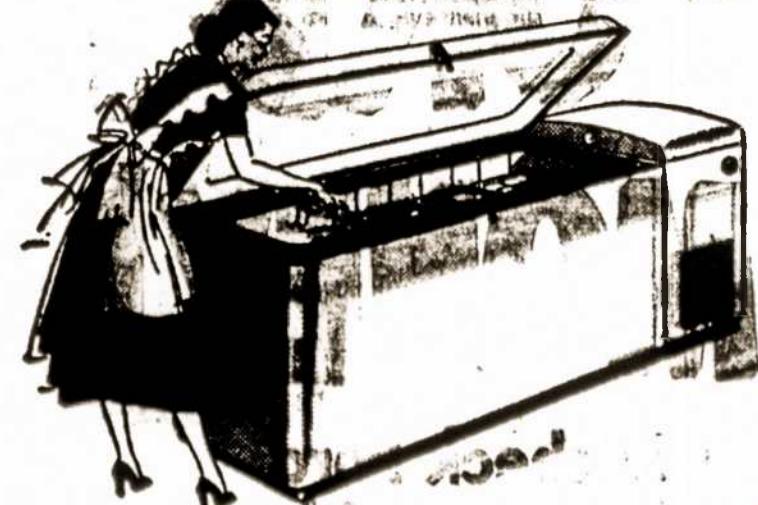
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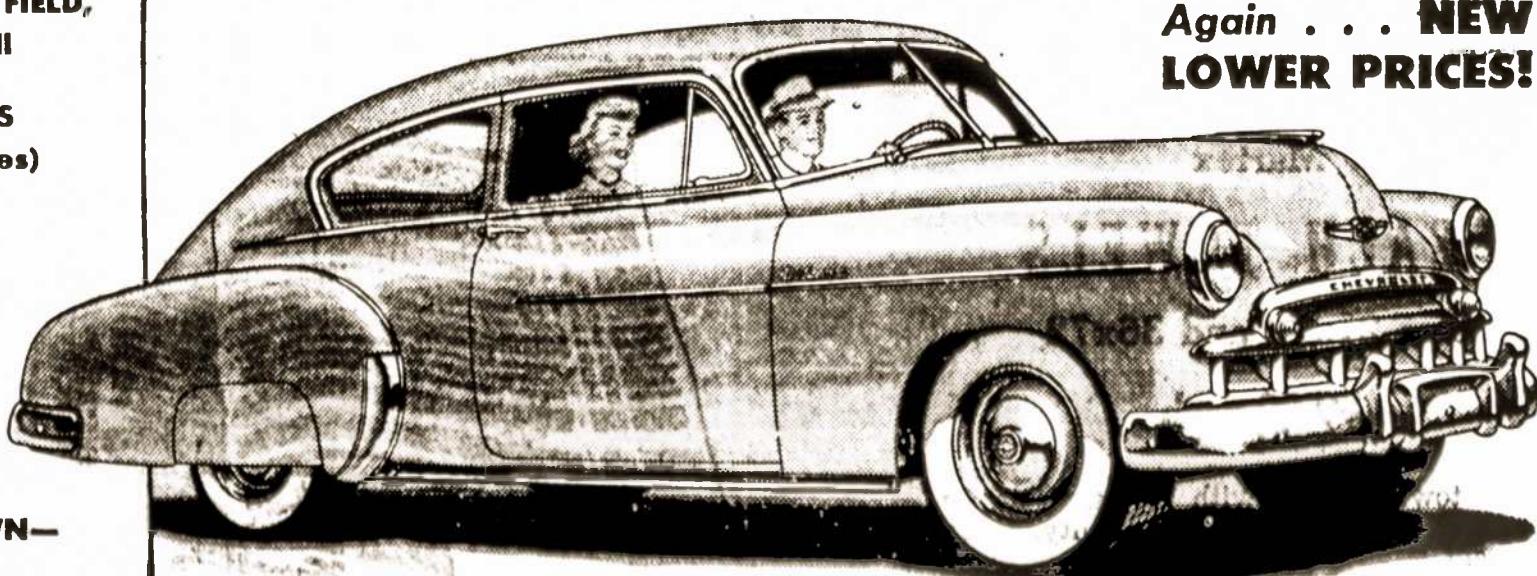


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GERTRUDE C. WHITNEY

I have just come in from pulling up ragweed along the roadside — even the tiniest plant that had managed to get a foothold, despite the drought. Why have I such a special animosity towards this weed? Because it is one of the worst menaces to unfortunate hay-fever victims, probably the worst. Goldenrod is another and we have plenty of both. Talk about making the goldenrod the national flower! Not according to my idea. If I were asked, I'd say, what's sweater and more appropriate than the wild rose?

Can't we do something about eradicating the ragweed from our town? It looks harmless enough right now and has a rather fern-like lacy leaf, but by the middle of August it will have made a terrific start, out back of the barn or along the roadside, and those pedestrians who are allergic to it will begin sneezing, their eyes will water and they will have a very mean feeling head. They will end by going away, if they can afford the time and money, to some seaside or mountain resort where there

is no rag-weed. Worse still, the disease gets a stranglehold and will return each summer when the pollen is blowing in the air. And so, good citizens, let's help the so-called hay-fever victims by pulling up all the ragweed plants we find in our own premises or along the roadside. Stooping is good exercise, especially for the liver.

I had a friend, a school teacher who suffered dreadfully with hay-fever so that she had to spend her entire vacation in the mountains, "above the ragweed belt", as her doctor advised. We were young, when I first met her up in Sugar Hill, New Hampshire. I felt sorry for the poor girl but the high altitude and the absence of the irritating weeds improved her condition greatly. (We were congenial and formed the habit of going away together for several seasons. The second summer, the disease had already gotten a good start and she came fortified with a bottle of muriatic acid to be inhaled through the nostrils. Then she would open her mouth and inhale the fumes which looked very much like smoke. The treatment was pretty rough on the victim, but I couldn't help laughing. Finally, she began to get better. All this, just to give some idea of what hay-fever victims really do suffer.

Speaking of weeds, did you know that pigweed, or lamb's quarters, makes very delicious greens for

the table — as good as spinach. Yet many gardeners pull it up by the handful. I did, myself, until I discovered what delicious eating it was. It should be picked in the early morning when the plants are not over a foot high and have that pretty lavender pink bloom on them.

Once when visiting a close friend in Connecticut at a fine old farmhouse, my friend's mother went out into the garden and returned shortly with her apron full of something or other which she served up for dinner in the shape of greens. They tasted good to me and I asked her what went into the mess (I didn't say "mess"). "Oh, some pigweed and some mustard greens, a little milkweed and a few nettle tops!" she replied — just weeds! Here was a thrifty woman and a good example to many a wasteful American housekeeper. You remember the old saying, "A woman can throw out with a teaspoon more than a man can bring in with a shovel."

STRAW HAT CIRCUIT

The Keene Summer Theatre will present "WHEN LADIES MEET" by Rachel Crothers, July 11th through July 16th. Evenings at 8:30. No matinees. Prices are

\$1.50, \$1.00, and \$.60, tax included.

AS I SEE IT

by Matt P. Guhae

As stated in last week's column, Youth Argosy arranged for transportation for group members and individuals, who desire travel opportunities for education, friendship and service. Some of the groups participating this summer are The Experiment in International Living, with headquarters at Putney, Vt.; New School of Social Research, New York City; American Friends Service Committee, Philadelphia; Oslo Summer School for American Students, Northfield, Minn.; American Youth Hostels, New York City; and St. Hubert's School, Sudbury, Mass.

These are a few of the many groups interested in sending young people to Europe for studying, living and working with others in the reconstruction of a war-torn world. This is actual participation and preparation for living in "one-world". The colossal task undertaken by Youth Argosy to provide for nearly ten thousand passages by air and ship has been "aptly characterized" as "the cultural phase of the Marshall Plan."

Isabel and Monroe Smith, having

caught the vision of "one-world", took positive steps by starting Youth Argosy. To further promote good will, better understandings between peoples, and friendship, they will depart this Saturday from Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn., on the first leg of their Round the World Flight. They will conduct a group of people similarly interested in educational and friendship objectives. Theirs promises to be a great trip! They will be ambassadors of good will, representing you and me from Main Street, U. S. A.

The Smiths promise to let us know of their impressions of what they shall witness. In turn, will try to pass on to you, through the medium of the Northfield Press, their experiences and observations. Thus vicariously, all of us can share in their enterprise and become better acquainted with the reconstruction program from all parts of the globe.

DO YOU KNOW
MASSACHUSETTS?

DO YOU KNOW THAT ... Reports of the Division of Employment Security show that while the total unemployment claim load for the State continued to rise during June, 18 of the 39 districts reported improvement ... The number of claims dropped 44% in Hyannis district during June, 19% in Brockton and North Adams, 18% in Haverhill, 15% in Webster and 14% in Marlborough and Gloucester ... Some improvement also appeared in Northampton, Lawrence, Taunton, Lynn, Milford, Waltham, New Bedford, Lowell, Newburyport, Chicopee and Athol districts ... The Federal Reserve Bank's tourist index for May points to a record season in Massachusetts for boys' and girls' camps and substantial increase over last year in total number of tourists on Cape Cod and the Buzzards Bay, Vineyard and Nantucket areas ... Water consumption in Boston Metropolitan District set an all-time record dur-

ing the week ending June 25 at an average of 201,600,000 gallons per day, or 133 gallons per person ... The number of motor trucks registered in Massachusetts has increased by about 50,000 since 1941 and the number of buses by about

260 ... More than 70% of the graduating class at Harvard College this year were veterans under the G. I. privileges ... A special committee in Northboro has prepared and will present to the voters a zoning by-law and a building code for the protection of the town.

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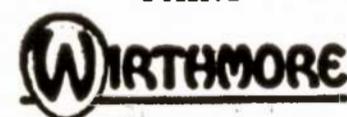
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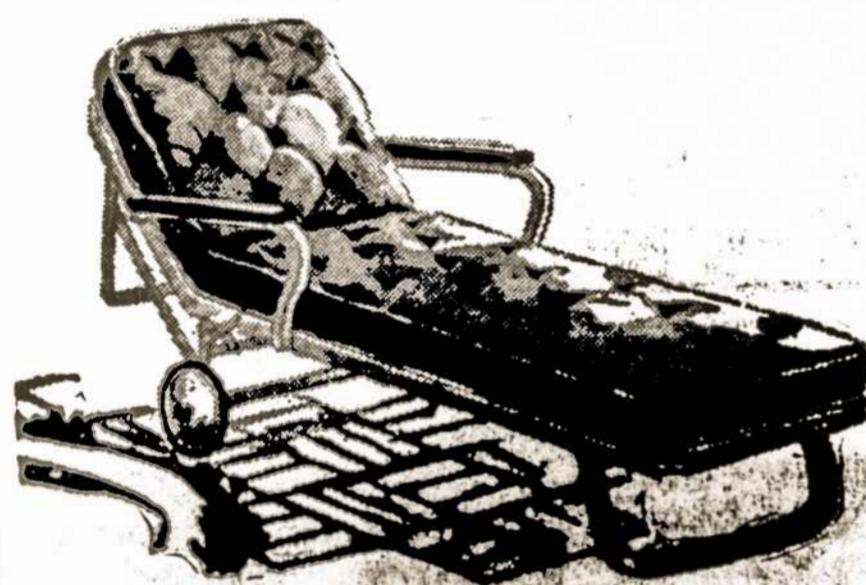
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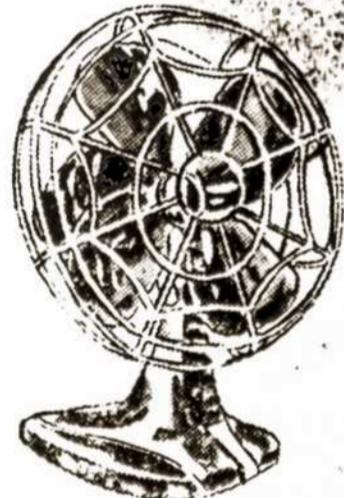
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